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For: METHOD FOR WATER	)	Date: July 12, 2010
HAMMERLESS OPENING OF FLUID		
PASSAGE, AND METHOD FOR		
SUPPLYING CHEMICAL		
SOLUTIONS AND DEVICE FOR		
WATER HAMMERLESS OPENING		
FOR WHICH THE METHOD IS USED		

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- ☐ within three months of the filing date of this application (not a C.P.A.);
- ☐ within three months of the date of entry of the National Stage;
- ☐ before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits; or
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A copy of the non-U.S. document identified on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A is attached, however, in accordance with Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the U.S. patents are not attached.

United States Patent Documents 1-2 were cited in the Curriculum Vitae of Mr. Nishino. Their relevance is believed to be clear from the Curriculum Vitae and their relation to the subject matter of the present invention.

Non-Patent Literature Document 1 was cited and discussed in Amendment (F) After Final, filed concurrently on July 12, 2010. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Form PTO/SB/08A and, and return it to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

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Respectfully submitted,

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